

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR MASSAGE THERAPY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

September 16, 2008

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Licensure for Massage Therapy was held at the Division of Occupations and Professions, Frankfort, KY on September 16, 2008.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Carmen Fowler – Board Chair
Theresa Crisler
Denise Logsdon
Sarah Hart
Michael Mansfield

OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS STAFF

Jeff Boler, Board Administrator
Gerald Hoppmann, Division Director
Susan Ellis, Finance / Fiscal Section

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jeff Shipp
Max Maxwell

OTHERS

Cheryl Lalonde, Office of the Attorney General
Gerald Clemons, Board Investigator
Pat Sazy, ABMP
Pam Jenkins, AMTA
Debbie Joplin, AMTA

Call to Order

Carmen Fowler, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:50 AM.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the August 19, 2008 meeting were presented for the Board's review. Ms. Logsdon made a motion to approve the minutes with amendments. The motion, seconded by Ms. Crisler, carried unanimously.

Financial Statement

Financial statements for the month ending July 31, 2008, and August 31, 2008 were presented for the board's review. Ms. Logsdon made a motion to approve the statement pending itemization of per-diem for the month of July. The motion, seconded by Mr. Mansfield, carried unanimously.

Licensure Status Report

The Board reviewed the licensure status report for the month ending August 31, 2008 which indicated 1795 active licenses, with 21 inactive licenses. It was also reported that there were 34 individuals whose licenses were terminated in the month of August for non-renewal.

Old Business

The Board reviewed email correspondence from Ms. Logsdon, concerning billing issues with Anthem Blue Cross / Blue Shield. After discussion, Mr. Hoppmann informed the Board that he would follow-up on the issue with the Department of Insurance. No action was taken by the Board, nor required.

New Business

The Board discussed several items that it would like to address after legislation passes. Mr. Crisler made a request that the Board Administrator add a discussion about a retreat to the agenda for next the next meeting.

The Board reviewed correspondence from Karen Zaharatos, regarding the “Massage Online Professor.” No action was taken nor required.

Ms. Fowler informed the Board that she was resigning her position effective immediately, and recommended that the Board hold its annual elections.

Mr. Mansfield issued a concern over the attendance of Board members. After discussion, Ms. Logsdon made a motion that the Director send a letter relaying these concerns to the absent Board members. The motion, seconded by Ms. Crisler, carried unanimously.

Ms. Logsdon nominated Ms. Crisler for the office of chairman of the board. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Mansfield.

Having no further nominations, Ms. Logsdon moved that nominations cease and that Ms. Crisler be elected by acclamation. The motion, seconded by Ms. Hart, carried unanimously.

Mr. Mansfield nominated Ms. Logsdon for the office of vice-chair. The nomination was seconded by Ms. Logsdon. Ms. Hart nominated herself for the office of vice-chair. The nomination was seconded by Ms. Logsdon.

Having no further nominations, Ms. Logsdon moved that nominations cease and that an election be held. The motion, seconded by Ms. Crisler, carried unanimously. Ms. Hart was elected to the position of Vice-Chair by a vote of 3 to 2.

Mr. Mansfield nominated Ms. Logsdon for the office of secretary. The nomination was seconded by Ms. Logsdon.

Having no further nominations, Ms. Hart moved that nominations cease and that Ms. Logsdon be elected by acclamation. The motion, seconded by Ms. Logsdon, carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the make-up of its various committees. After discussion it was determined that Ms. Crisler and Ms. Hart would serve on the complaint committee, and Ms. Logsdon and Mr. Mansfield would serve on the application / education committees.

Complaint Review Committee

Ms. Crisler made a motion to dismiss complaints #2008-01, 2008-26, 2008-30, and 2008-35. The motion, seconded by Mr. Mansfield carried unanimously.

Ms. Crisler made a motion to initiate investigations on complaints #2008-17, 2008-27, 2008-31, and 2008-32. The motion, seconded by Ms. Hart, carried unanimously.

Ms. Crisler made a motion to have the Board Administrator draft letters requesting additional information for complaints #2008-24, and 2008-25. The motion, seconded by Ms. Hart, carried unanimously.

Ms. Logsdon made a motion to include complaints #2008-33, and 2008-37 to the list of complaints requiring letters by the Administrator. The motion, seconded by Ms. Hart, carried unanimously.

Ms. Crisler reported that complaints #2007-09, 2008-23, 2008-24, 2008-25, 2008-34, 2008-36, and 2008-38 remain pending.

Education Committee Report

Ms. Fowler made a motion to approve 20 renewals of licensure. The motion, seconded by Ms. Crisler, carried unanimously.

Ms. Fowler made a motion to approve a renewal of licensure for (KM), pending payment of a late fee. The motion, seconded by Mr. Mansfield, carried unanimously.

Application Committee Report

Ms. Fowler made a motion to defer applications for licensure by (EW), (CC), and (ST) pending additional information. The motion, seconded by Ms. Crisler, carried unanimously.

Ms. Fowler made a motion to deny an application for license by (PP), for no national certification, and insufficient transcript. The motion, seconded by Ms. Crisler, carried unanimously.

Travel and Per-Diem

Ms. Crisler made a motion to approve the Travel and Per-Diem for today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Mr. Mansfield, carried unanimously.

Mr. Mansfield made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion, seconded by Ms. Crisler, carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 PM.

Approved by the Board,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Theresa M. Crisler', written in a cursive style.

Theresa M. Crisler, Board Chair